

REMARKS

Claims 78-90 are presently pending in this application.

Applicants thank the Examiner for considering the IDS filed on October 3, 2005, and for returning a copy of the initialled Form PTO/SB/08 to the office of the undersigned attorney.

The Examiner objects to the Abstract because it exceeds 150 words. The foregoing amendments to the Abstract are believed to overcome this objection.

The Examiner objects to claims 78-90 because they fail to include open or closed language, such as "comprising" or "consisting of" language, and the Examiner has not treated the claims on the merits because of this objection. Applicants respectfully submit that the foregoing claim amendments overcome this objection.

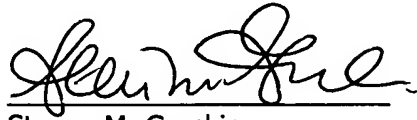
In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue that the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number listed below.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111
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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees (with the exception of the Issue/Publication Fees) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any over-payments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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